



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**HEADQUARTERS, US ARMY MEDICAL RESEARCH AND MATERIEL COMMAND**  
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Office of the Secretary of the General Staff  
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Dr. Remington Nevin  
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Dear Dr. Nevin:

This is in response to your December 11, 2018 Freedom of Information Act request for documents concerning and related to the USAMMDA or other subordinate activity of USAMRMC, and 60 Degrees Pharmaceuticals or any intermediate wholesaler or distributor, for supplies of Tafenoquine (Arakoda) intended for U.S. Military use, from 2013 to the date of processing of this request. The Arakoda (Tafenoquine) Transition Planning Meeting Agenda and meeting minutes with 60P to discuss tafenoquine commercialization documents are enclosed. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, information has been withheld (redacted) based on the following exemptions:

Exemption (b)(4) – Permits the withholding of records related to trade secrets and other confidential business information.

Exemption (b)(5) - Permits the withholding of information under the deliberative process privilege, including pre-decisional documents, draft documents, or information that could be withheld under civil discovery, attorney-client, or attorney-work product privileges. Deliberative information consists of recommendations or opinions on legal, policy or other matters that may or may not go directly to the report's approved findings. Pre-decisional information includes intra-agency or inter-agency communications that are antecedent to the adoption of the agency decision. Exemption 5 protects against the premature disclosure of proposed policies and recommendations before they are finally adopted and protects against public confusion that might result from the disclosure of reasons and rationales that may not ultimately be the grounds for an agency's action.

Exemption (b)(6) - Permits the government to withhold information about individuals when the disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion into the personal privacy of a third person. When weighing the public interest in knowing how

the government works against the privacy interests of individual persons we may conclude that the requested record contains data of a personal nature and that no significant public interest will be served in the release of that information. Pursuant to Exemption (b)(6), Personally Identifiable Information (PII), to include names, personnel information, social security numbers, email addresses and telephone numbers have been redacted.

Because your request has been partially denied (redacted), you are advised of your right to appeal this determination to the Secretary of the Army. If you decide to appeal at this time, your appeal must be submitted within 90 days of the date of this notification. In your appeal, you must state the basis for your disagreement with the partial denial and the justification for the release of information associated with your request for this command. Your appeal should be addressed to: CDR U.S. Army Medical Command, Attention: Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts Office (MCPA), 2748 Worth Road, JBSA, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-6021, for forwarding, as appropriate, to the Office of the Secretary of the Army. Please enclose a copy of this response along with your Appeal. To ensure proper processing of any appeal, the letter and the envelope should both bear the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Should you have any questions pertaining to the processing of the document I may be reached at (301)-619-7118 or email [shalli.l.keller.civ@mail.mil](mailto:shalli.l.keller.civ@mail.mil)

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shalli L. Keller", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Shalli L. Keller  
Staff Action Control Officer  
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U.S. Army Medical Research and  
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Enclosure